

ORDER No. P. 9888-89—MILY. 199-46-8, DATED BANGALORE,
THE 13TH MAY 1948.

Government are pleased to direct that the Mysore
Board may be constituted with the following
members:—

President.

Dewan of Mysore.

Vice-President.

Minister for Home (in charge of Military Portfolio).

Official Members.

- The Chief Commandant, Mysore State Troops.
- The Education Secretary to Government (Military Secretary).
- The Military Bakshi to His Highness the Maharaja.

Non-Official Members.

- Sri K. Shamaraaja Iyengar, President, Municipal Council, Bangalore City.
- Sri S. L. Mannaji Rao, Member, Legislative Council, Bangalore City.
- Sri S. Kenchappa, Contractor, Jogupalya, Ulsoor, Bangalore.
- Captain Thangavelu Mudaliar, Civil Station, Bangalore.
- Dharmaprakash Sri K. Kuppuswami Naidu, Ulsoor, Bangalore.
- Sri Siddappa, Municipal Councillor, Cubbonpet, Bangalore City.
- Sri Anantha Ramiah, Lawyer and Municipal Councillor, Bangalore City.
- Sri M. V. Veerappa, Gandhinagar, Bangalore City.
- Captain Turab Ali, Retired Commandant, His Highness the Maharaja's Body Guard.

The Secretary of the Board will be the Assistant Secretary to Government, Protection Branch (Military Section).

A. C. NIRVANI GOWDA, *Edn. Secy.*

FINANCIAL SECRETARIAT

**Law of the Administration Report of the Audit and Accounts
Department for the half year ended 30th June 1947.**

Letter No. 1036—E.S., dated the 29th October 1947, from the
Comptroller, forwarding the Administration Report of the Audit and
Accounts Department for the half-year ended 30th June 1947.

ORDER No. EL. 7448—G.F. 157-47-2, DATED BANGALORE,
THE 7TH MAY 1948.

Recorded.

During the half-year under report, the Railway Audit
which was a part of the Audit and Accounts Department
under the control of the Comptroller was placed under
independent charge of a separate officer. The other

noticeable administrative change is that the two Local Audit
Circles constituted at Mysore and Shimoga, have been ordered
to be located at Bangalore, one dealing with industrial and
textile Audit and the other with local outside Audit.

The work of the several Audit Departments has fallen
into heavy arrears mainly due to paucity of hands.

The following are some of the items of work that had to
be postponed due to paucity of hands:—

- (1) The constitution of a Financial Branch of Agricultural Department.
- (2) The constitution of a Financial Branch for the Military Department.
- (3) Temporary suspension of certain items of work relating to Local and Outside Audit work.
- (4) No higher audit could be conducted during the half-year.
- (5) Proposal to suspend pre-audit of salary bills, etc., in Bangalore.
- (6) Heavy arrears of post-audit work.
- (7) Heavy arrears of posting of Objection Books.
- (8) The Audit and Accounts work pertaining to Deposits, Advances, Loans and Remittances are in heavy arrears.

(9) The sorting, arranging of records in the State
Huzur Treasury, and the destruction of time barred records
remain unattended to.

The paucity of hands has contributed towards the
accumulation of arrears of work in the Food Supply and
Electrical Audit Offices also.

The following are some of the important measures proposed
for consideration:—

- (1) Suggestions to improve the position of recruitment to the several cadres in the Accounts Department.
- (2) Housing of the several sections of the entire Audit and Accounts Department in a single building so as to facilitate efficient supervision and control.
- (3) Desirability of the gradual elimination of the Civil Service element in the cadre of Assistant Comptrollers.
- (4) Necessity to prescribe a pass in the I and II Department Examinations of the Indian Audit and Accounts Service as a condition precedent to the absorption of the Gazetted Probationers of the Accounts Department in the cadre of Assistant Comptrollers.

(5) Formation of a Training Section as in the Office of the Accountant-General, Madras, for training recruits.

Some of these questions are already under the consideration of Government, such as the subject of recruitment, accommodation, etc. As regards the proposal to eliminate the Civil Service element from the cadre of Assistant Comptrollers, Government have already decided that the proposal is not feasible.

The scales of pay of the subordinate services have since been improved and Government trust that this would enable the recruitment position to improve in the Audit and the Accounts Offices early.

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